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REMARKS

Claim 1 is amended to remove the language from the claim which the Examiner

rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as not in compliance with the written description requirement in a final Office Action mailed on March 13, 2007.

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Because the Examiner rejected this text under §112, the text is removed to

overcome this rejection so that the Appeal Brief can focus on the merits of the claimed subject

matter without the section 112 issues.

Entry of this amendment is requested prior to the Appeal Brief being filed.

The amendment is merely the removal of text the Examiner objected to as new

matter. In particular, the removal of the added language from claim 1 merely removes from the

claim that language the Examiner said had no support in the specification and returns the claim

to the language in the amendment filed September 11, 2006.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this

Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the above amendment

prior to the filing of the Appeal Brief, such that the claims may be in better form for appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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